

ARTICLE 22



Article 22: New Hampshire Association for the Blind Funding Request

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) to support the provision of low vision rehabilitation services in the Town of Amherst.

(The Board of Selectmen unanimously recommends a yes vote. The Ways and Means Committee unanimously supports this Article.)

This is a new request for a health agency to obtain funding from the Town to support services they provide to Amherst residents. It has been the Board's practice to present these first time requests to the voters for their determination. Should it be supported, it would be included in future budgets if the agency made a request and provided the town documentation that they were continuing to provide services to Amherst residents. The Association reports that they have provided service to 29 Amherst residents.

Estimated Tax Impact: Less Than \$0.01 Per Thousand

ARTICLE 23



Article 23: Reconstruction of Main Street at Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1, which shall be known as the Main Street Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund, for the purpose of constructing roadway

and parking improvements on Main Street in the vicinity of the Town Hall, and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed into this fund, and to further appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this Fund in accordance with RSA 35:15 II. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

(The Board of Selectmen unanimously recommends a yes vote. The Ways and Means Committee unanimously supports this Article.)

The Town, through the hard work of the Heritage Commission, has obtained a grant for \$261,000 to complete traffic, safety, and parking improvements in the Main Street area adjacent to the Town Hall. The grant requires a match from the town of \$65,250. The work is scheduled to be done in 2010 and this article seeks to begin funding the town share by creating and funding a capital reserve account.

Estimated Tax Increase: \$0.01 Per Thousand